

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	5. DATE OF REQUEST: 08-20-12	NEED RESPONSE BY:
2. REQUESTOR NAME:	6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION: Fresno	
3. PHONE NO.:	7. SUBJECT: Recertification	
4. REGULATION CITE(S):	8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s). 63-504.6 ACL 08-20	

9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

It appears that the regulations for filing a timely application have become outdated as it has not kept up with the current business environment. Has CDSS considered sending out revised regulations via an ACL for 63-504.6? For example, there is acknowledgement that the application can be sent to the HH for signature after the interview (ACL 08-20).

Question 1:

In that scenario, what factors would the county use to determine if a timely application has been filed?

Question 2:

Once SAR is implemented and a report no longer required, would it be the interview and return of the application?

Questions continued on last page...

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

Answer 1:

Kept the first scheduled interview and if QR, returned the QR7 by the 11th.

Answer 2:

If the client keeps the first scheduled interview and client returns the signed application forms within 10 days.

Answer 3: Yes

Answer 4:

10 Days.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

As was explained in ACL 11-70, applications for recertification are timely if they are turned in no later than the 15th day of the last month of the certification period. An errata will be issued for ACL 11-70 clarifying that this rule applies to all recertifications not just transitional CalFresh.

ACL 11-70 states:

When CWDs send the Notice of Expiration (NEC) the month prior to the last month of the benefit period, households must complete the recertification process, which includes: (1) filing an application no later than the 15th day of the last month of the "certification" period and complete an interview, and (2) submit any proof of income, expenses, or other information no later than 10 days of the date of the interview to receive uninterrupted benefits.

FOR CDSS USE

DATE RECEIVED:

DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:

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Question Continued:

Question 3:
 Would it be if the client returns the applications within 10 days?

Question 4:
 How long would the county have to provide the HH to return the signed application?